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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE  
(Case No. 00-713-i25)**

In re Application of: )  
Chad A. Mirkin, et al. )  
Serial No.: 09/976,378 )  
Filed: October 12, 2001 )  
For: NANOPARTICLES HAVING )  
OLIGONUCLEOTIDES ATTACHED )  
THERETO AND USES THEREFOR )  
Examiner: J. Riley  
Art Unit: 1637  
Confirmation No. 2333

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Arlington, VA 22313-1450

## **RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION**

Dear Sir:

Please consider the following amendments and remarks in response to the Office Action mailed March 12, 2003. A Petition for an extension of time (one month) and requisite fee are attached herewith.

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